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November 20, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

23 November 20, 2012

Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AMENDMENT 3 TO CONTRACT NO. 001788 FOR AS-NEEDED EXPLORATORY SUBSURFACE EXCAVATIONS SERVICES (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to amend the contract for As-Needed Exploratory Subsurface Excavations Services to extend the contract on a month-to-month basis for up to six months until a replacement contract is awarded.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the work continues to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve amending Contract No. 001788 with SAF-r-DIG Utility Surveys, Inc., for As-Needed Exploratory Subsurface Excavations Services to extend this contract on a month-to-month basis for up to six months starting on December 29, 2012, and to supplement the contract sum by \$300,000, increasing the contract sum to \$2,575,000 for the entire contract period.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to increase the contract sum up to an additional 10 percent of the contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, if required.
4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute the amendment upon proper execution by the contractor and approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to continue this contract on a month-to-month basis starting December 29, 2012, for up to six months. This contract's extension is required to provide continuous service while the Department of Public Works (Public Works) responds to a protest and completes the solicitation process for a replacement contract. The extension will ensure continuation of as-needed and intermittent exploratory subsurface excavations services in support of the construction of or improvement to roads, highways, storm drains, flood control and water conservation facilities, sewers, and water distribution systems within Los Angeles County.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The contractor who has the specialized expertise to provide these services accurately, efficiently, timely, and in a responsive manner will support Public Works in meeting these goals.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The requested supplemental amount is \$300,000, which increases the contract sum for the entire duration of the contract period from \$2,275,000 to \$2,575,000 plus an additional 10 percent of the contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, if required.

Funding for these services is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Budget for various Public Works funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 2, 2007, Agenda Item 23, the Board approved Contract No. 001788 with SAF-r-DIG Utility Surveys, Inc., located in Palm Desert, California, for as-needed and intermittent exploratory subsurface excavations services, authorizing a contract sum not to exceed \$1.5 million for the entire duration of the contract period, including any option years, commencing on October 30, 2007. The contract was for an initial one-year period with two 1-year renewal options for a maximum contract term of three years.

Amendment 1 was enacted on October 5, 2009, by which and in accordance with the motion passed by the Board on June 16, 2009, Public Works successfully negotiated with SAF-r-DIG Utility Surveys, Inc., to accept a 15 percent contract cost reduction without any reduction in the goods and services provided to the County in exchange for a contract term extension to October 29, 2011, with one additional one-year renewal option remaining.

Amendment 2 was enacted on October 30, 2011, to correct an administrative error and to clarify the contract sum of \$2,275,000 for the entire contract term, including the additional one-year renewal option.

In accordance with the contract terms, the contract was extended for an additional 60 days, commencing on October 30, 2012, without exceeding spending authority.

The contract is currently in its final optional year. This amendment will extend the contract on a

month-to-month basis for up to six months for a maximum contract term of 68 months and supplement the contract sum by \$300,000, while Public Works responds to a protest in order to complete the solicitation process for a replacement contract. All terms, conditions, requirements, prices, and specifications for the contract will remain unchanged.

The amendment, which is substantially reflected in the enclosed form, will continue the contract current terms, specifications, and conditions. The Director of Public Works or her designee will execute the amendment in accordance with the Board's authorization and only upon proper execution by the contractor and approval as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These services continue to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. These services are within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Section 15301 (c) of CEQA.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the amendment will continue the current contract services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Administrative Services Division.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office

AMENDMENT 3 TO CONTRACT NO. 001788

AS-NEEDED EXPLORATORY SUBSURFACE EXCAVATIONS SERVICES

THIS AMENDMENT, made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2012, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY) and SAF-R-DIG UTILITY SURVEYS, INC., a California corporation (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Contract No. 001788 was entered into between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR, on October 30, 2007, to provide As-Needed Exploratory Subsurface Excavations for a period of one year with two 1-year renewal options; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2009, Public Works enacted Amendment 1 to extend the Contract term for two additional years, commencing on October 30, 2009, through and including October 29, 2011, in exchange for a 15 percent cost reduction of all rates specified in Form PW-2 (Schedule of Prices); and

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2011, Public Works enacted Amendment 2 to correct an administrative error and to clarify the contract sum of \$2,275,000 for the entire contract term, including the additional one-year renewal option, or such greater amount as the Board may approve (Maximum Contract Sum); and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2012, pursuant to Contract's Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements, Section 2.A, Amendments, the County extended the Contract term for sixty days, effective October 30, 2012, through December 28, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to extend the Contract on a month-to-month basis for up to six additional months with a supplemental amount by \$300,000, starting December 29, 2012, while the Department of Public Works completes the solicitation process for a replacement contract; and

WHEREAS, the CONTRACTOR is willing to provide the service under the Contract's existing terms and conditions during the period as extended under this AMENDMENT.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these facts and payment to be made by the COUNTY, the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR agree that Contract No. 001788 between them shall be amended as follows:

FIRST: The CONTRACTOR shall provide continuous performance of this Contract commencing on December 29, 2012, on a month-to-month basis up to the maximum period of six months, unless the COUNTY provides written notice of nonrenewal at least ten days before the last day of any month, in which case this Contract shall expire as of

midnight on June 28, 2013. The rates specified in Form PW-2 (Schedule of Prices) apply to this Contract extension shall remain as those in Amendment 1 to the Contract.

SECOND: This amendment supplements the contract sum by \$300,000, increasing the contract sum from \$2,275,000 to \$2,575,000 for the entire contract period.

THIRD: The following provision is incorporated into the Contract, Exhibit B, Section 4.T:

T. County Contract Database/CARD

The County maintains databases that track/monitor Contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a Contract term extension option.

FOURTH: Except as modified by this AMENDMENT, all other terms, conditions, requirements, and specifications of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COUNTY has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI
County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

SAF-R-DIG UTILITY SURVEYS, INC.

By _____
Its President

Type or Print Name

By _____
Its Secretary

Type or Print Name

Date